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A Continuation of *The Critical Review of the public buildings, &c. examined*, by Mr. HIRAM.

PASSING by our Critic's bold and ignorant cenſure of the cuſtom of *erecting churches due eaſt and weſt*, which he calls a *ridiculous ſuperſtition*, and which ſhall be more fully conſidered in a properer place; I ſhall proceed to his remarks on this noble edifice. —— 'The 'dividing the portico, and indeed the whole ſtructure 'into two ſtories on the outſide, (ſays he) certainly in-'dicates a like diviſion within: a circumſtance abound-'ing with abſurdities, and defeating even the very end 'of erecting it at all'. To remedy which, he is 'humbly of opinion, that a light and proper *Attick* ſtory had 'anſwered all ends, both of uſe and beauty'. —— To this I anſwer, If an *Attic ſtory* had been ſo introduced, the height would ſtill have been *divided into two ſtories*, and very improperly alſo. For as Attic ſtories were originally deſigned for chambers of reſt only; it would have been very abſurd to place chamber windows in the upper part of a cathedral. The church of St. Peter's in Rome, is built indeed in this manner; and 'tis not unlikely, that the Roman clergy might anciently reſide there: but in this Proteſtant country, where there is no ſuch cuſtom, the abſurdity had been unpardonable.

The moſt effectual way to have made this pile truly magnificent, had been to have raiſed it by one height of columns, ſupporting an entablature crowned with pedeſtals and ſtatues over each column, and a balluſtrade between them, according to the following dimenſions. —— Suppoſe the given or aſſigned height of the body of the church be 100 feet, above the pavement or floor, which is very little different from the height of the preſent building. Then the upper two ſeventh parts, which are equal to 28 feet $\frac{4}{7}$, I would have aſſigned for a Corinthian entablature; and the remaining five ſevenths, equal to 71 feet $\frac{3}{7}$, for the height of the columns, to ſupport it. If 71 feet $\frac{3}{7}$ be divided by 10, the number of diameters contained in the height of the Corinthian column, the quotient will be 7 feet and $\frac{1}{7}$, which is the module or diameter by which every column is proportioned in height and projecture. If we divide 7 feet and $\frac{1}{7}$ into 60 equal parts, each part will be a minute, and equal to one inch and $\frac{2}{10}$. And as the projection of the cornice (which is the moſt difficult part of the whole) according to the proportions of PALLADIO, projects 48 minutes beyond the upright of the freeze; therefore if we multiply 1 inch and $\frac{12}{100}$ by 48, the product will be 75, the number of inches, in the projection, which are equal to 6 feet, 3 inches. —— Now conſidering how much the corona and cymatium are ſupported by the bed-moulding and modillions; 'tis very plain, that ſtones of thirteen feet in length, would have formed ſuch a cornice: for the waſte that would have been taken away in making the mouldings, would have made the projecting half-part of the ſtones to be much lighter than the other half, lying within the upright of the building, which therefore would have been very ſecure.

As I have thus ſhewn how this moſt difficult part might have been performed, I ſhall now conſider of the diſtribution of the columns in the moſt ſolemn and majeſtic manner. As the grand entrance into this cathedral is at the weſt front, had I been the architect, I would have propoſed to erect it in manner following. —— In the firſt place, as the breadth of this front, including both the towers, is, by the Critic's table of meaſures, 180 feet, it is full little enough for 500 feet its length; therefore I would not in the leaſt diminiſh it. This front I would divide into ſeven parts by eight pillaſters, each of the diameter aforeſaid. And as the grand door muſt be placed in the middle, the two middlemoſt pillaſters ſhould have an intercolumnation of three diameters, equal to 21 feet and $\frac{3}{7}$, whilſt the others in each ſide poſſeſſed the diſtance of 17 feet and $\frac{1}{14}$. At the parallel diſtance of 41 feet and $\frac{3}{7}$ (which is equal to two of the ſmall intercolumnations, and the diameter of one pillaſter) I would place ten columns of the dimenſions aforeſaid: of which the eight middlemoſt ſhould be oppoſite to the eight pillaſters; and the two extream, or outer columns, at the whole intercolumnation on each ſide, beyond the front of the body of the church. —— On theſe ten columns I would have placed their entablature, and thereon a pediment; the height of whoſe angle above the bed-moulding, ſhould have been equal to half the height of the column, *viz.* 35 feet and half. In whoſe ſpacious tympanum, might have been repreſented a proper hiſtory in bold and ample relievo; and the ſtatues of the four Evangeliſts placed on pedeſtals above the pediment, over the two extream columns, on either ſide, having that of St. PAUL between them on the angle or pitch.

The body of the cathedral I would have made entirely ſtrait from front to rear; and from the two outer columns of the portico, I would have continued others of the ſame magnitude all round the whole body of the church, ſuſtaining an entablature, crowned with pedeſtals and ſtatues over each column, with a balluſtrade between, at the ſame intercolumnation with thoſe in the ſides of the portico, with pillaſters in the building oppoſite to each; which would have formed a ſpacious colonade of prodigious length, that, together with the portico, would have filled the eye with ſolemn awe and ſurpriſing grandeur. For as St. Paul's is 500 feet in length, there would have been from the portico to the further angle column at the eaſt end, ſeventy one columns on each ſide; ranges not to be parallelled by any building now ſubſiſting in the world.

Thus much by way of sketch, to ſhew what might have been done. —— Before I return to our Critic, I beg leave to obſerve, that altho' Sir CHRISTOPHER has placed pediments over the windows with entire bed-mouldings, which, in that part, is true architecture; yet, as they are ſuſtained by ſmall columns on pedeſtals, and are ſeen and conſidered at the ſame time, with thoſe large pillaſters that ſuſtain the upper entablature, they have a very indifferent effect. And it is my humble opinion, that, had handſome architraves environed thoſe windows, they would have afforded a greater and more ſimple beauty than the ſmall columns now do.

I entirely agree with our Critic in his obſervation, *pag.* 19. 'That according to his beſt notions of regu-'larity and order, the dome ſhould have been raiſed ex-'actly in the centre of the whole'. For had it been ſo ſituated, the choir, which is now much too ſmall for the whole, might have been made more ſpacious, and conſequently more magnificent. But as to 'the two other ſteeples 'which he would have erected at the eaſt, to correſpond 'with thoſe at the weſt end'. I don't ſee any neceſſity at all for them, ſince the eaſt front looks againſt a dead range of houſes, without any opening of a ſtreet before it. But at the *weſt end*, which is the grand entrance, and againſt which Ludgate-ſtreet opens, there is a neceſſity for two ſteeples or towers to bound that front, and to aſſiſt the portico, which, of itſelf, would make but an indifferent figure. —— The two groupes of columns which form the upper parts of theſe towers, being viewed at an angle, have a ſurpriſing effect; there being, I believe, no building of the kind, in this, or any other kingdom, which appears ſo light, genteel and magnificent. Note, at the opening on London-bridge, and at the biſhop of Ely's gate in Holbourn, thoſe towers may be ſeen in this view.

I ſhould have been very thankful to our Critic, had he ſpecified what parts of this building are *defective*, when viewed *from the neighbouring hills*, and what *hills* he means. For my part, conſidering the manner of its diviſions, into which the whole height is divided, I cannot ſee any great *defect* therein. For tho' it's two heights of columns are not ſo grand as one height of columns would have been; yet, notwithſtanding that, take the whole altogether, 'tis certainly a grand and beautiful ſtructure; and which, upon a juſt inſpection, as to its out ſide, contains much fewer faults, than the cathedral of S. *Peter*'s at Rome. —— For 1. The weſt front of S. *Peter*'s at Rome, being broken into ſeven principal parts, has not ſo much ſimple beauty as the ſame front of St. *Pauls*, which is divided but into three. 2. At S. *Peter*'s, tho' they have raiſed indeed but one order of columns, which are truly grand in themſelves; yet as they have introduced two heights of windows between them, which ſeems to imply, that the height within is divided into two ſtories, they have thereby in great part deſtroyed the lofty grandeur of the columns. And what is yet worſe, to the bottoms of the upper windows they have placed balconies; from whence any one would infer, that one might walk into them from the floor of a ſecond ſtory. The windows of the upper ſtory at S. *Paul*'s are free from this abſurdity, and therefore have not ſuch an effect. 3. The architraves and freezes over the windows of S. *Peter*'s are broken, to admit of the ſemicircular heads, which is falſe architecture. But at S. *Paul*'s the architrave and freeze over each window are entire, as all architraves ſhould be. For ſince an architrave repreſents a beam lay'd from one column to another, it ſhould never be broken on any account, as being the very baſis of the whole entablature. 4. The pediments of the niches in the upper range at S. *Peter*'s, have their bed-mouldings broken, for the ſake of introducing cherubins heads, which is abſurd: for as girders are employed to tye in the thruſt of a roof, ſo are bed-mouldings to tye in the thruſt of pediments. In the pediments over the windows of S. *Paul*'s they are entire. 5. The pediments and bed-mouldings over the windows in the Attic ſtory of S. *Peter*'s, are broken for the ſake of introducing eſcalop-ſhelled ornaments, thereby expoſing the windows to the injuries of weather; and in fact, are abſolutely uſeleſs, as pediments. In S. *Paul*'s, every pediment is entire. 6. The Attic pillaſters under S. PHILIP and S. SIMON at S. *Peter*'s, have no leſs than ſix breaks, and therefore are worſe than thoſe in the turret of the *Royal Exchange*, which have no more than five 7. The entablature under the dome of S. *Peter*'s is broken over every pair of columns: but that of S. *Paul*'s is entire. I could add many other abſurdities in S. *Peter*'s: but as theſe are too many, in a building of ſo great a character, I ſhall conclude with remarking, that the front of the portico to S. *Peter*'s, is equal to $\frac{1}{4}$ of the whole front, viz. 91 feet; and the portico of S. *Paul*'s to half its front, viz. 90. So that altho' S. *Peter*'s exceed S. *Paul*'s 184 feet in front, yet its portico's front is but 1 foot more than that of S. *Paul*'s; which, in my opinion, with reſpect to the whole, is much too ſmall, and is far from having that noble aſpect, which a portico of 10 or 12 columns, extending a breadth equal to half the whole front, viz. 182 feet, would have produced.

The ſtatue in the area before this building, erected in honour of queen ANNE, is, with humble deference to our Critic, in a modern Engliſh, not *a formal Gothique habit*, as he calls it, *pag.* 20. nor could the *attitude* of a *queen* in Engliſh robes, with modeſty be well expreſſed otherwiſe. I believe that the late ingenious Mr. BIRD, by whoſe skillful hand, that, and the other ſtatues about the baſe of the pedeſtal, received their forms, well knew, that had he repreſented the *queen* in a Roman *habit*, the drapery might have been raffled and diſplayed to greater advantage. But as ſuch a *habit* would have been contrary to the Engliſh mode, he wiſely retained the Engliſh dreſs; which, tho' naturally very ſtiff in itſelf, is yet moſt natural to the Engliſh ſpectator. Our Critic, I ſuppoſe, would have had her majeſty repreſented, as maſons ſometimes are, viz. *Neither naked, nor cloath'd.*

[*To be continued.*]

In our 241 *Journal, pag.* 1. *col.* 1. *l.* 60. *read*, Within the middle arch is a niche without a ſtatue; and within the two outer arches, ſpacious windows which illuminate the chancel. The extream, &c.

Mr. BAVIUS,

THE people concerned in the lines below, on a ſubject which you may depend upon to be matter of fact, deſire that you will print them. They ſend their moſt humble ſervice to you and your brethren,

by Sir, your humble ſervant,

TOM. THE WATERMAN.

N. B. They deſire you will have patience to read them through before you condemn them.

1.

Reſtleſs and ſick poor SILVIA lay,
In darken'd room confin'd.
And thought the melancholy hours,
Lagg'd lazyly behind.

2.

Long were the nights; nurſe very dull;
Her phyſic had no force:
The couch was queer; the chairs were bad
The bed was ten times worſe.

3.

To her a ſecond RATCLIFF comes:
Madam, how is't to-day?
Oh! bad. Oh! very bad indeed:
This pain won't go away.

4.
He ſtands at window full of thought,
Juſt like a pigg at piſs.
Says he, Your cure is in my hands,
If you can ſolve me this.

5.
A noted perſon's paſſing by,
Who's known the city round:
The moment that you gueſs his name,
Your certain cure is found.

6.
Then ſickly SILVIA rais'd her head,
In hopes of having eaſe;
And with a look and voice moſt ſweet,
I'll try, Sir, if you pleaſe.

7.
Is't my lord mayor, or ſquire CATCH;
Or one of the ale-conners?
Sheriffs, Recorder, Chamberlain,
Or any of their honours?

8
Is't CALEB DANVERS, or is't FOGG;
Or WALSINGHAM in chariot?
Or lady OSBORNE through the ſtreets
Faſt trudging from her garret?

9.
Is't Doctor HYP, or ROCK, or MOORE,
The Penny-Poſt, or ſo?
At which the doctor look'd moſt wiſe,
And gravely anſwer'd, No.

10.
Then SILVIA with ſoft piteous tone,
I'm tir'd upon my word, man;
Nor have I any hopes of eaſe,
Except it be TOM T——d-man.

11.
That's he! that's he! the doctor cry'd.
At which her ſides ſhe ſhook,
With laughter loud ſo heartily,
That her impoſthume broke.

12.
The doctor pleas'd, and SILVIA eas'd,
Both beg that C—LL—Y BAYS,
For this great cure ſo quickly wrought,
Will ſing TOM T——D-MAN's praiſe.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Daily Courant.*
P. *Daily Poſt-Boy.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.*
D J. *Daily Journal.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
S J. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*
W E. *White-hall Evening Poſt.*
L E. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Aug.* 15. We hear that his majeſty has appointed Sir Tho. Braund to be chancellor of the ſeals of the moſt noble order of the Thiſtle. *DJ.* —— Hen. Gadrie, Eſq; one of the ſewers of the great chamber, is appointed purveyor of wines to his majeſty's houſhold. *LE.* —— Hen. Gadiere. *DJ.* 16.

We hear that his ſerene highneſs the prince of Orange is ſhortly expected in England from the Rhine. *C.*

Yeſterday Mr. Hughs was choſen beadle of the Grocers company. *C. DP.* —— Mr. Hayes. *DA.*

The Rev. Mr. Upton, fellow of Exeter college in Oxford, is made domeſtic chaplain to the right hon. the lord high chancellor. *LE.*

Married, on monday, at Kingſton, Geo. Ruſſell of Kingſton, Eſq; to Mrs. Jane Rotherby, a beautiful young lady, with a fortune of 7000 l. *P.*

Articles of importance. On tueſday Mr. Baſnett, his royal highneſs the prince's lace-man, ſet out for Paris. *P. DJ.* —— Laſt night a committee of council was held on Plantation affairs. *C.*

Laſt night arrived two meſſengers from abroad,
Who for Kenſington ſtrait proceeded *on the road.* P.

FRIDAY, *Aug.* 16. Thurſday next is fixt for the removal of their majeſties, &c. to Richmond, and the ſame day her royal highneſs the princeſs of Orange will embarque for Holland, and the princeſs Amelia will go to the Bath. *P.* —— To-morrow fortnight is fixed for their removal, &c. *DJ.*

Yeſterday ſeveral of his majeſty's moſt hon. privy council met at the Exchequer, when a jury weighed the ſeveral ſpecies of gold and ſilver lately coined, all which appeared to be very fair and juſt. *DJ.*

An equeſtrian ſtatue of king William, deſigned to be erected in the middle of Queen-ſquare in Briſtol, being now finiſh'd by Mr. Rysbrack, the nobility and lovers of ſtatuary reſort daily to that gentleman's houſe in Hyde-park corner to view it, the ſame being eſteem'd a fine performance. *DA.* —— *My brother* Walſingham *aſſured us, about a year ago, that* he ſaw the ſpirit of antiquity ſublimely expreſſed in every ſtroke.

Yeſterday at Surgeons-hall, Mr. Chovet and Mr. Maccullock were unanimouſly choſen demonſtrators of anatomy. *C. DP.*

The collectors for the window-tax are taking an account of the number of all the windows in the cities of London and Weſtminſter, and county of Middleſex, to the end, as we are inform'd, of an additional duty thereon, in order to the giving ſome eaſe in the duties upon ſoap and candles, at the meeting of the parliament. *DP.* —— It's hoped it is in order to a more equal tax; for as it is now fix'd, an honeſt farmer who lives in a houſe of but 5 l. per ann. (if but 30 lights in it) pays as much as the greateſt lord in the land. *LE.*

The printer of this paper having been impoſed on in the article publiſhed the 14th, which gave great offence to the truſtees of Georgia, as if they had given order for the Indian chiefs to be publickly ſhewn, does hereby acquaint the public, That the Truſtees have the utmoſt abhorrence of ſuch an inhoſpitable and inhuman behaviour, having always treated them with the utmoſt civility, and permitted none but people of faſhion to viſit them, and given the ſtricteſt orders to all their ſervants not to preſume to take any money whatſoever from any who ſo viſits them. *DJ.*

Important articles. On wedneſday night the hoſtler belonging to the White-horſe inn, in Fleet-ſtreet, had the misfortune to fall from the top of a ladder going into the hay-loft, and fractured his skull in ſuch a manner, that he died in a ſhort time after. *C.*

At Black-Hamilton in Yorkſhire, for the 50 guineas plate,
Started horſes ſixteen, on friday; *ſomewhat late,*
For rime's ſake I'll ſuppoſe: but all my brethren ſay,
It was won by 'Squire Croft, with a horſe that was bay.
P. DP. DJ. DA.

Next day fifteen ſtarted for his majeſty's plate there,
Which was won by William Routh Eſquire's bay mare.
P. DJ.

SATURDAY, *Aug.* 17. On wedneſday while the royal family were hunting in Richmond New-park, an attorney rode againſt the king, and almoſt unhors'd his majeſty; for which piece of rudeneſs ſeveral gentlemen diſciplin'd him with their whips. *DP.*

To-morrow the right rev. the lord biſhop of Sarum will kiſs the king's hand, on a conge d'elire being order'd for tranſlating him to the See of Wincheſter, &c. —— We hear that the lord biſhop of Bangor, who is to be tranſlated to the See of Sarum, will be made clerk of the king's cloſet. *DP. SJ. LE.* —— Mr Conundrum *ſays, Tho' his brethren's* prophecys *be not* fulfill'd, *they ſerve to* fill full *their papers.*

On tueſday evening a boat going to Norfleet, was, by a ſquawl of wind, overſet in Long Reach, and 2 women were drowned, the waterman and his boy ſaved themſelves by ſwimming. *C.*

Married, yeſterday at St. George's in the eaſt, Jonathan Southouſe, Eſq; to miſs Martha Phillips, a young gentlewoman of 3000 l. fortune. *P.*

Died, on wedneſday, at Roehampton, Tho. Benſon, Eſq; *P.* —— Yeſterday morning at his chambers in Lincoln's-inn, Mr. Downs, an attorney at law. *P.* —— A ſolicitor in Chancery, very rich: he was in perfect health about 2 hours before. *DP.*

On tueſday at Barham-Downs, near Canterbury,
The king's plate was won by Mr. Greſwood's Cheſnut horſe Sly. *SJ. LE.*

MONDAY, *Aug.* 19. On thurſday capt. Farrer, the eldeſt capt. in lord Cadogan's regiment of dragoons, kiſs'd the king's hand, on his being promoted to the poſt of major. *C. DP.*

Charles Chambers, Eſq; in partnerſhip with Mr. Rider, the late Britiſh conſul, is appointed Dutch conſul, in the room of Mr. Rider. *DJ.*

On ſaturday the aſſizes ended at Kingſton, when 2 perſons received ſentence of death, who are reprieved, and ordered for tranſportation. *DJ.* —— *The* P. *ſays they were perſons* caſt the laſt aſſizes. —— One of the electors of the borough of Southwark was proſecuted by Will. Sheppard, Eſq; their late candidate, upon the Act againſt bribery and corruption, when after a long hearing, the jury having conſulted for ſome hours, brought in their verdict in favour of the perſon accuſed. *DA.*

Died, on ſaturday, at Mr. Hope's in Hog-lane, of the ſmall-pox, —— Young, Eſq; a gentleman of 20,000 l. fortune, lately arrived from his travels. *C. DP.* —— At Kenſington, miſs Lee, heireſs of the hon. Col. Lee, reputed worth 45,000 l. *P.* —— Miſs Leigh. *DA.*

Yeſterday to the Gate-houſe a man was committed,
For houſe-breaking; *to be hang'd, tranſported, or acquitted.* P.

TUESDAY, *Aug.* 20. The barons Storcke and Hamilton are preparing to return home, which makes it doubtful, whether the talk'd of marriage between a princeſs of Great Britain, and the duke their maſter is in that forwardneſs as ſome have pretended. —— There is no certainty when the prince of Orange will leave the Imperial army upon the Rhine, nor is there the leaſt talk of his conſort's departure for Holland, which makes it generally believ'd, that her royal highneſs will, after all, lie in here. *DP.*

Yeſterday the right rev. the biſhop of Salisbury kiſs'd his majeſty's hand for the biſhoprick of Wincheſter. *P.* —— He has not yet done it. *DP.* 21.

His grace the duke of Grafton is elected a governor of the Charter-houſe, in the room of the right hon. lord king. *DA.* —— On friday the right hon. the lord chancellor was choſen, &c. *DJ.* 21.

Denier, alias Dineur, the late Mr. Cantillon's cook, was lately ſeen at Utrecht, with a ſilver baſon, and box for a waſh-ball, in a caſe; which, 'tis ſuppos'd, were part of the things belonging to that unfortunate gentleman. Perceiving himſelf taken notice of, he left Utrecht precipitately; and it being ſuſpected that he was gone from thence to ſome of the cities in Flanders, a reward of 200 piſtoles has been offered by the magiſtrate of Bruſſels for apprehending him. *DA.*

Laſt thurſday the aſſizes ended at Stafford, when two perſons were capitally convicted. *P.* — One. *DJ.*

By the lightning on tueſday, an apprentice to Mr. Doyle, a taylor in North-ſtreet near Red-lyon ſquare, was ſtruck blind in one of his eyes: —— and a ſailor of his majeſty's ſhip the Deptford, had his ſhoe penetrated, and his foot withered: ——and almoſt all the bell-glaſſes in the gardens at Canons were broke. *DP.* —— *If this account, which takes up 26 lines, be juſt as true as that circumſtantial one concerning* two men and a woman kill'd by *the ſame* lightning in May-fair, *which my brother gave us in his laſt* wedneſday's Diurnal, *this* apprentice's eye, *this* ſailor's foot, *and theſe* bell-glaſſes *are all ſafe and ſound.*

Married, a few days ſince, the rev. Mr. Will. Price, to Mrs. Mary Edwin, of Brook-ſtreet near Hanover-ſquare, with whom it is reported he had a fortune of 7000 l. *P.*

Died, on the 11th, Joſias Abbot, Eſq of Whittleſea in the iſle of Ely, in the 103d year of his age. *DA.* —— On ſunday, at Kenſington Gravel-pits, Mrs. Huſſey, grand-daughter of Sir Thomas. *DP.*

On tueſday at Ipſwich, for the royal plate run
Four horſes; which Crooke, Mr Cragg's cheſnut-horſe, won. *C. DJ.*

WEDNESDAY, *Aug.* 21. Yeſterday morning as his royal highneſs the prince was walking in St. James's park, a woman decently dreſs'd, big with child, long'd to kiſs his hand, which being told to his royal highneſs, he condeſcended very readily to permit it, and order'd her ſome money beſides. *DA.* — *This will make more* women long.

Mr. John Richards, town clerk of Tiverton, is appointed a maſter extraordinary in the court of Chancery, in the room of his father, deceas'd. *DP. DJ. DA.*

They write from thr hot well at Briſtol, that the rev. Dr. Rundle is finely recover'd from his late indiſpoſition, and will ſet out for London in a few days. *DP.*

Married, a few days ſince, Geo. Lynn of Southark in Northamptonſhire, Eſq; to miſs Anne Bellamy, eldeſt daughter of Sir Edward. *DP.* —— Laſt monday, at Peterſham, Arth. Garbert of Tedworth in Huntingtonſhire, Eſb; to miſs Ruebercy, ſole heireſs of —— Ruebercy of Peterſham, Eſq; an agreeable young lady with a good fortune. *P.*

Died on monday, at Abingdon, John Flower, Eſq; formerly an eminent merchant of this city. —— At Watford, Joſeph Leband, Eſq; formerly an eminent French merchant of this city, reputed worth upwards of 20,000 l. *DP.*

At Marlborough races ten to one was lay'd
On duke of Bolton's Fearnought 'gainſt the field:
But Mr. Major's White-ſtockings ſo play'd
His part, that Fearnought was conſtrain'd to yield. *C. DP. DJ.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

Dear Mr. BAVIUS,

I Have juſt read SCRIBLERUS THEATRICUS's reply to my charge; the firſt thing that ſtruck me, and which I can't forbear taking immediate notice of, is the profound, and ſhameful ignorance of *The Conteſt* writer. A perſon, that pretends to quote Latin by way of ridicule upon a gentleman, ought, at leaſt, to underſtand it. It ſeems, Sir, that having concluded my letter in the following manner, *whom his vanity may rank among* THE LÆSOS; this learned ſatyriſt takes THE to be my Chriſtian name, and LAESOS perhaps that of my family. *Logical Mr.* THE, and *Dr.* THE, are as ſtrong proofs of his ignorance, as one wou'd deſire. But as it is very poſſible to be as good a critic as he has ſhewn himſelf to

be, without underſtanding even one's mother-tongue, I ſhall dwell no longer on his ignorance of any other. Beſides it is no improbable conjecture (and one part of his letter hints ſtrongly at it) that he takes THE LAESOS to be young PISTOL, whom he has crown'd; THE being the three firſt letters of the young captain's Chriſtian name, LAESOS he may have imagined to be thrown in for a diſguiſe only. But this is *Nugis addere pondus.*

The Conteſt writer has very little reaſon to thank me for my good nature *in paſſing by* the numerous faults and baldneſs of the verſification, for to ſpeak the real truth, the places lyable to cenſure were too low to be taken notice of, (both the language and thought) and ſo much in the taſte of AUGEUS his ſtables, that I did not think myſelf HERCULES enough to attempt the cleanſing of them.

His logical proof of the gentlemens being blockheads, beſpeaks the ſame blundering genius throughout. Thus it ſtands; *Tho' not blockheads enough to wear the crown, nevertheleſs they are blockheads* (now comes the logical proof) *becauſe they wrote ſuch and ſuch pieces.* Why may not, by the ſame logical reaſoning, SCRIBLERUS-THEATRICUS be proved equally a *blockhead*, becauſe he wrote *The Stage Conteſt?* It would be trifling to puſh this matter further; I ſhall therefore come to his concluſion, in which he endeavours to juſtify the goodneſs of his performance, and diſculp himſelf from *uſing any gentleman ill, as to any reflections on their writings, or morals.* And this he does in a moſt extraordinary manner, viz. by giving up the badneſs of the verſification, (*which he knows not*, nor any body elſe, *by what means has been ſtrangely alter'd*) and by declaring that the moſt injurious, and abuſive parts were added unknown to him. What matter's it to thoſe gen lemen who are ſo ſcandalouſly abuſed in their characters and morals, whether SCRIBLERUS THEATRICUS (whoever he is) or any body elſe threw the dirt? Here is a very inſolent and injurious piece come out, and the author aſhamed of it, throws it upon he does not know whom; this is ſcarce poetical juſtice. Not to tire you any longer, Mr. BAVIUS, you cannot enough be commended for having avoided uſhering into the world a piece ſo full of malice, and with ſo little wit; and it had been no loſs, if it had been, as the author thought it, *for ever buried*, who may, without offending me, rank me among

Aug. 20, 1734. THE LÆSOS.

The XIIth ODE of ANACREON.

Prattling ſwallow, what to you
Are you willing I ſhou'd do?
Shall I clip your wings ſo light,
Turning ſhort in rapid flight?
Or, like TEREUS, by the root,
Cut your babbling tongue quite out?
Why have you, with frequent ſcreams
Chaſing ſoft delicious dreams,
From my arms, e'er break of day,
Snatch'd BATHYLLUS far away? D. D.

Dublin, Aug. 6. By letters from Longford we hear, that on July 29, a woman in that town, by name Juggy Mc. Geer, was delivered of three children, one without a head, with a foot in the place, another has the eyes in the back of the head; they ſay ſhe has ſtill more remaining within her. *P. DA.* 15.

The Eagle, Capt. Haynes, bound from Genoa to Jamaica, met with 5 ſail of Spaniſh men of war; the commadore fired a gun for him to come on board; the captain not caring to leave his ſhip, ſent his mate; which was reſented in ſuch a manner, that they fired on him and threatened to ſink him if he did not come himſelf; which he did, and after having received ſome very ill uſage, and threatened his life, [being threatened] they ſuffered him to return on board his own ſhip. *C.* 15.—— He was knock'd down, and abus'd in a barbarous manner: the ſailors ty'd a rope about his middle, and were going to fling him overboard; when a captain ordered him to be ſent down to the ſurgeon, but thinking he had loſt blood enough, ſuffered him to go on board his own ſhip. *DP.* 15.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Aug.* 15. —— *Genoa, July* 23. They write from Cadiz, that the combin'd ſquadrons of France and Spain, conſiſting of 35 men of war, lay in the road with their top-ſails unfurl'd, expecting every moment their ſailing orders. *DA.*

FRIDAY, *Aug.* 16. —— *Hanover, Aug,* 13. We are credibly aſſured that king Staniſlaus has found means to put himſelf at the head of the Crown army, which is daily reinforced; and great confederacies are making through all Poland in his favour. *C.* —— 50,000 Poles. *DA.*

Vienna, Aug. 7. Prince Ragotzi is now ſaid to be gone over to Don Carlos at Naples, which occaſions many ſpeculations. *DJ.*

Rome, July 31. The perſon call'd here the prince of Wales departed the 27th, for the ſiege of Gaeta. Beſides a conſiderable equipage which preceded him by ſea, there went with him 7 poſt chaiſes, and 7 led horſes. *DJ.*

SATURDAY, *Aug.* 17. —— *Hamburg, Aug.* 20. The laſt advices from Pruſſia aſſure us, that king Staniſlaus was at Angerburg, 6 leagues from Koningsburg. *P. DP.*

MONDAY, *Aug.* 19. —— *Paris, Aug.* 25. By letters from Naples we learn, that, on the 30th paſt, the king of Naples embarked on board the Capitana galley of Spain, with the Chevalier de S. George (the Pretender's eldeſt ſon) and that they arrived in the camp before Gaeta the 31ſt. The king and the chevalier went frequently into the trenches. *C. P. DJ.*

Paris, Aug. 19. The marſhal de Noailles is return'd to Fort-Lewis with 30,000 men, and paſs'd the Rhine the 15th. *DA.*

TUESDAY, *Aug.* 20. —— *Vienna, Aug.* 14. A report is ſpread, as if Don Carlos, 2d ſon of the king of Portugal, will eſpouſe the ſerene archdutcheſs, 2d daughter of the emperor. *DP. DA.*

WEDNESDAY, *Aug.* 21. —— *Paris, Aug.* 28. Gaeta has ſurrendered, where 1500 Germans were made priſoners. Peſcara is likewiſe taken, with 600. There were 100 pieces of cannon in the former, and 50 in the latter. *DP. DJ. DA.*

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